

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: July 20, 2005

Division: BOCC1

Bulk Item: Yes X No

Department: BOCC1

Staff Contact Person: Jana Johnson-Willi

AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Presentation of Mayor's proclamation recognizing August 12th – 14th, 2005 as Hillsborough Pride in Exile Days in Key West.

ITEM BACKGROUND: This proclamation supports the position of Key West and joins other cities and counties in their support.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

TOTAL COST:

BUDGETED: Yes No

COST TO COUNTY:

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No **AMOUNT PER MONTH** **Year**

APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB/Purchasing Risk Management

DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:

Dixie M. Spehar

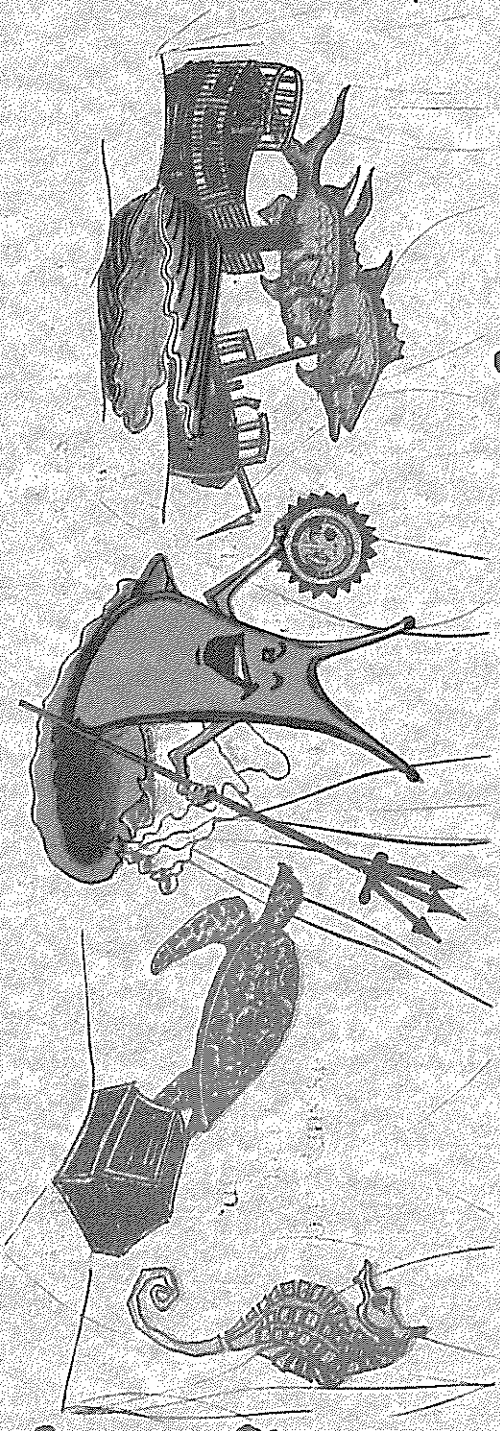
Dixie M. Spehar, Mayor

DOCUMENTATION: Included

Not Required

DISPOSITION:

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Mayor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Monroe County has consistently affirmed its support of governmental policies which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, creed, gender, sexual orientation, age, physical handicap, political affiliation, family status or marital status, and

WHEREAS, Monroe County has adopted a motto of "One Human Family" that promotes inclusion and celebrates the diversity that exists in our community, and

WHEREAS, Monroe County does recognize and support the fact that our founding fathers in their esteemed wisdom established in the First Amendment of the constitution protections guaranteeing specific inalienable rights of speech to all Americans, and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough County Commission recently voted to bar county agencies from recognizing or participating in Gay Pride Month or any events that portray gay people in a positive light, and

WHEREAS, Monroe County wishes to convey to individuals in that county our support of their human and constitutional rights and ability to be able to hold Gay Pride Month activities without fear of reprisal, and

WHEREAS, supportive business and organizations in our community offer to act as host of a gay pride celebration for interested citizens of Hillsborough County to occur in Key West

NOW THEREFORE, I, Dixie M. Spehar, Mayor of the County of Monroe declare August 12th – 14th, 2005 as Hillsborough Pride in Exile Days in Key West.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the County of Monroe, Florida, this 20th day of July 2005.

Dixie M. Spehar, Mayor